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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed, together with a copy of a March 13, 2001, French Search Report citing them.

For the concise statement of relevance of the non-English document 0 511 139 A1, the Examiner is respectfully referred to the French Search Report, which lists that document in category "A". A copy of document FR 2 702 580 A listed in the French Preliminary Search Report is not available at this time, but will be cited in an Information Disclosure Statement after it has been obtained. It is respectfully requested that the above

information be considered by the Examiner.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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Respectfully submitted,

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